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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Application of:

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For: SCANNING OPTICAL APPARATUS
AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Further to the Preliminary Amendment submitted to the Office on May 27, 2003,

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows.

The claim amendments are reflected in the listing that begins at page 2. The remarks begin at page 8.

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